

IRS TAX TIP 2004-08

1040 CENTRAL — POINT AND CLICK YOUR WAY TO A TROUBLE-FREE TAX SEASON

Don't wait in line, go on-line. The IRS has a new tax tool called 1040 Central to help you get your taxes done more quickly and easily. The 1040 Central page is the place to visit at the IRS's Web site, www.irs.gov, to get your tax info organized and ready to go. No matter which form you use, 1040 Central has the links you'll need to file your 2003 federal income tax return.

Have a question about changes to tax law? Want to find the nearest IRS taxpayer assistance center? Now, anyone with a personal computer and Internet access can point and click their way to trouble-free tax filing at www.irs.gov. A user-friendly format allows even novice Web surfers to quickly find the information they need.

Millions of taxpayers visited the IRS site in 2003, downloading nearly 300 million forms, publications and a variety of topic-oriented tax information.

Get the latest about tax happenings that may change how you file your return. 1040 Central links you directly to:

- highlights of the tax law changes,
- the latest IRS news and customer alerts,
- tax tips and news releases, and
- frequently asked questions and answers.

1040 Central also has links to all the tax forms, instructions and publications you may need. Plus, you can find information about special tax credits like the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Advance Child Tax Credit.

Not sure of your electronic filing options? 1040 Central links you to information about IRS e-file and Free File so you can join the 53 million people who already file their tax returns electronically. IRS e-file is the safest and most accurate way to file, the fastest way to get your refund and get your taxes where you want them – done!

You can also track your refund by clicking on the "Where's My Refund?" link on 1040 Central.

Whatever you need to file your 2003 tax return, it's all on *IRS.gov* at 1040 Central.

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